## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED RESOLUTION A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Allen Strike for his success in the field of radio broadcasting. ZAKAS, YODER, MISHLER \_\_\_\_\_\_, read first time and referred to Committee on



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## SENATE RESOLUTION

## MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Allen Strike for over 40 years of success in the field of radio broadcasting.

Whereas, In 2009, Allen Strike ended a career in radio broadcasting for WTRC in Elkhart, Indiana, that spanned over four decades;

Whereas, Strike began working for WTRC in 1966 as a host of the noon-time talk show "Sound Off". "Sound Off" served as a forum for listeners to discuss current events and issues as national as the Gulf War, and as local as burning trash. "Sound Off" covered a variety of topics during its run that lasted nearly 30 years;

Whereas, Strike also hosted the popular show "Swap Shop" which aimed to match listeners in search of items with listeners who are selling items. With the success of "Swap Shop" and "Sound Off", Strike became a part of the identity of the city;

Whereas, Strike's hard work was acknowledged when he became program director at WTRC. He served in that capacity for many years;



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Whereas, Strike lent his voice to many events in the Elkhart community, including the annual Rhapsody in Green Music Series, where he served as master of ceremonies for over 30 years. He also donated his personal time to the event by serving on the committee in addition to his responsibilities as host;

Whereas, Strike's work in the Elkhart community also includes: the Fourth of July fireworks festival; Jazz Festival; Concerts in the Park; Winterfest; and Crop Walk, a walk to fight hunger. Additionally, he served as master of ceremonies at the roast of Paul Thomas, "The Mayor of Main Street";

Whereas, In 2008, when the city of Elkhart celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> year as a city, Strike served as emcee for the three-day sesquicentennial celebration; and

Whereas, Many members of the Elkhart community can recognize Allen Strike's voice as if he were a part of their own family. Strike's work in broadcasting has been a tremendous asset for the Elkhart community: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- SECTION 1. The Indiana Senate congratulates Allen Strike for
- 2 his career in radio broadcasting and wishes him well as he enters into
- 3 retirement.

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- 4 SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
- 5 transmit a copy of this Resolution to Allen Strike.

